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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 29 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

11 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Croatia (S/1999/1051)

Other matters

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1416th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	42nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	43rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Elections to fill vacancies in principal organs: election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council [15 (b)]

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/506) [117]

(continued overleaf)

3. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/511) [118]

4. Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/508) [119]

5. Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/507) [123]

6. Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/504) [129]

7. Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/510) [130 (a)]

8. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/509) [151 (a)]

9. Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/505) [169]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on item subjects; introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64, 65 and 67 to 85 *(continued)*

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/54/INF.1)]

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 4

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [87] (A/54/20, A/C.4/54/8, A/C.4/54/L.6 and L.7, A/CONF.184/6)

SECOND COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. Environment and sustainable development [100]

   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the programme for the further implementation of Agenda 21

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.14

   (c) Convention on Biological Diversity

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.15

2. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [99] (A/54/56, A/54/97-E/1999/52, A/54/170, A/54/171- E/1999/111 and A/C.2/54/5)

   (c) Women in development (A/54/227, A/54/156-E/1999/102, A/54/156/Add.1-E/1999/102/Add.1 and A/54/275)

3 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 2

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [99] (A/54/56, A/54/97-E/1999/52, A/54/170, A/54/171-E/1999/111 and A/C.2/54/5)

(c) Women in development (A/54/227, A/54/156-E/1999/102, A/54/156/Add.1-E/1999/102/Add.1 and A/54/275)

Afternoon*-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

Informal consultations, under the chairmanship of Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.4 (Science and technology for development) *(item 97 (d))*

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* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [112] (A/54/98, A/54/265, A/54/411, A/54/419 and A/54/430)

Conclusion of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. United Nations common system [126] (A/54/30, A/54/434, A/54/483, A/53/688 and A/C.5/54/24)

   Continuation of general discussion

2. Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [127] (A/54/393)

   Introduction and general discussion

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 117 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/54/5/Add.5, A/54/140 and Add.1, A/54/159 and Corr.1, A/54/165, A/54/441, A/C.5/54/3 and A/54/7))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/54/32, A/54/176, A/54/208, A/54/221, A/54/262, A/53/919 and Corr.1 (French only), and Add.1 and Corr.1 (Russian only), and Add.2 and Corr.1 (French only), A/54/7, A/52/1000, A/52/7, A/53/257, A/51/946, A/52/685, A/53/16 and A/53/669))

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* Following the adjournment of the 19th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	21st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-first session [155] (A/54/10 and Corr.1 and 2)

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on draft resolution on agenda item 159 (Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization)

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* Following the adjournment of the 21st meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK)

UNITED NATIONS STAFF PENSION COMMITTEE

9.30 a.m.- 11.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room E

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

Second regular session of 1999

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Vice-Chairperson of the Committee, Ms. Mónica Martínez (Ecuador), will hold informal consultations on a draft proposal on the follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (agenda item 110) *today*, 29 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Bureau of the Committee on Information *today*, 29 October 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Room S-1027.

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Informal briefing

At the request of interested delegations, Mr. Hama Arba Diallo, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, will hold an informal briefing on the latest developments in the framework of the Convention and give an update on the preparations for the Third Conference of the Parties (Recife, Brazil, 15-26 November 1999). The briefing will take place *today*, 29 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Announcement

Information on the new structure and working method of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) may be obtained in the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-1212).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 29 October 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on item 99 (a) (Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration of International Economic Cooperation, in particular the revitalization of the economic growth and development of developing countries and Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Decade) and item 97 (b) (Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries))

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

1.30 p.m.-2.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(on draft resolution on item 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women))

1.45 p.m.-4 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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A donors' consultation on demining in Chad, convened by the United Nations Development Programme, will take place *today*, 29 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be a meeting of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) *today*, 29 October 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Briefing

The briefing of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations for the African Group on "Implementation of the Lusaka Cease-fire Agreement: the Democratic Republic of the Congo Peace Process", scheduled for *today*, 29 October 1999, has been cancelled.

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Informal consultations

There will be open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 40 (c) (Results of the review by the Commission on Sustainable Development of the sectoral theme of "oceans and seas"), convened by the coordinators (Canada and Pakistan), *today*, 29 October 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Announcement

As from Friday, 1 October 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226). In the event that room S-226 is occupied at that time, the briefing will take place in the Security Council Quiet Room.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 1 November 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 4

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	28th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	29th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	28th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	29th meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon**	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 20th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

** Following the adjournment of the 21st meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	22nd meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	23rd meeting	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 116 (Human rights questions), beginning on Thursday, 4 November 1999, as follows:

On 4 November, following the Committee's dialogue with the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mary Robinson: Sir Nigel Rodley (Special Rapporteur on the Question of Torture); Dr. Kamal Hossain (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Afghanistan); Mr. Rajsoomer Lallah (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Myanmar); Mr. Max van der Stoel (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Iraq); Mr. Roberto Garretón (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo); Mr. Leonardo Franco (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in the Sudan); Mr. Adama Dieng (Independent Expert on the Situation of Human Rights in Haiti); and Mr. Thomas Hammarberg (Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in Cambodia);

On 5 November: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Francis Deng (Representative of the Secretary-General on Internally Displaced Persons); Mr. Jiri Dienstbier (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Yugoslavia); Mrs. Marie-Therese Keita-Bocoum (Special Rapporteur on the Situation of Human Rights in Burundi) and Mr. Michel Moussalli (Special Representative on the Situation of Human Rights in Rwanda);

On 8 November: Mr. Abdelfattah Amor (Special Rapporteur on Religious Intolerance).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments.

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The Committee on Information will resume its twenty-first session on Monday, 1 November 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to consider the report of the Secretary-General on the multilingual development, maintenance and enrichment of United Nations Web sites (A/AC.198/1999/9). For further information, delegations may contact the Committee secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-7216).

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The Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will hold closed informal consultations with members of the Committee on Tuesday, 2 November 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A, to continue discussions on the draft resolution on agenda item 18 (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples).

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The 1999 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will take place on Tuesday, 2 November 1999, and on Wednesday, 3 November 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to the Secretary of the Pledging Conference, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950-G; tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 5973; fax: (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers is open until Tuesday, 2 November 1999.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The second regular session of the Organizational Committee of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) (Part II) will be held at Headquarters on 1 and 2 November 1999 in Conference Room 6.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Monday, 8 November 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES

List of speakers

The third session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention will take place from 15 to 26 November 1999 in Recife, Brazil. The special segment on the implementation of the Convention will be held from 22 to 24 November 1999. Statements at this segment will be open to Parties, observers, international intergovernmental organizations, multilateral agencies and institutions accredited to the Conference, United Nations programmes and specialized agencies with representation at the appropriate level. It is suggested that the average time for each statement should not exceed 6 minutes.

The list of speakers for the special segment on 22 and 23 November is now open in New York. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers for this segment are requested to contact the office of the Secretary of the Conference of the Parties (Ms. June Chesney; tel.: (212) 963-5742; fax: (212) 963-5935).

A list of speakers for other statements by Parties and observers in the Plenary during the first week of the session will open in Recife on Monday, 15 November.

The provisional agenda and the organization of work contained in document ICCD/COP(3)/1 can be retrieved from the Optical Disk System or from the Convention Web site at the following address: http://www.unccd.de

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There will be meetings of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on items 99 (c) (Women in development) and 100 (b) (International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction))* on Monday, 1 November 1999, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a meeting of the Working Group on Human Rights of the Non-Aligned Movement on Monday, 1 November 1999, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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In accordance with paragraph 86 of the report on the eleventh session of the High-level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (A/54/39), informal consultations of the High-level Committee will be held on Monday, 8 November 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss the theme for the twelfth session of the Committee proposed by the Group of 77 and China entitled "The role of technical cooperation among developing countries in science and technology for development". The informal consultations is open to all Member States.

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Presentation

The Department of Public Information will make a presentation on the United Nations Web site on Monday, 1 November 1999, at 3 p.m. The conference room will be announced in the *Journal*.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 3 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 4 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 5 November 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is *today*, 29 October. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603, tel.: (212) 963-9196).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 28 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 18th meeting

Thematic discussion on item subjects, introduction and consideration of draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64, 65 and 67 to 85

The Committee continued its second stage of work (thematic discussion on item subjects; introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 64, 65 and 67 to 85).

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina (on behalf of MERCOSUR), Mexico (on behalf of the Rio Group), New Zealand, Viet Nam, the Niger, India and Kenya.

The representative of South Africa introduced draft resolution A/C.1/54/L.44.

The representative of Nepal introduced draft resolution A/C.1/54/L.14.

The representative of Pakistan introduced draft resolution A/C.1/54/L.38.

The representative of Japan introduced draft resolution A/C.1/54/L.9.

The representative of Mali introduced draft resolution A/C.1/54/L.25.

SECOND COMMITTEE 25th meeting

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [99]

(b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.12 and L.13

The representative of Guyana introduced the draft resolutions on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

(e) International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.11

The representative of Guyana introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Globalization and interdependence [104]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, South Africa, Uruguay, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Haiti, Saint Lucia, Tunisia and Mozambique.

The representative of the World Health Organization made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 104.

THIRD COMMITTEE 25th meeting

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [112]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Croatia, Bahrain, Mongolia, China, Uganda, the Sudan, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Sierra Leone, Kazakhstan, Iceland, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mozambique, the Philippines, India, the Republic of Korea and Mexico (on behalf of the Rio Group), as well as by the observer for the Holy See.

26th meeting

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family [106]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.9/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of the introduction.

The representative of the Philippines further orally revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Algeria, Austria, Benin, Burkina Faso, Chile, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Eritrea, France, Ghana, Guinea, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Jordan, Liberia, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Poland, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, San Marino, Sierra Leone, Spain, the Sudan, Suriname, Turkey, the United Kingdom, Ukraine and Viet Nam joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution, as further orally revised, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.11

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

The representative of Mongolia then further orally revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Cameroon, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Finland, Guatemala, Indonesia, Nigeria, the Philippines and Tajikistan joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as further orally revised, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.12

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral revisions that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

The representative of Benin then further orally revised the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Antigua and Barbuda, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Croatia, the Dominican Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, France, the Gambia, Ghana, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Madagascar, Malta, Mongolia, Portugal, the Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Saint Kitts and Nevis, San Marino, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Zambia and Zimbabwe joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Burkina Faso and Nigeria withdrew as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as further orally revised, without a vote.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Spain and the United States.

Draft decision

The Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of document A/54/59.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

International drug control [108]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.20

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the oral corrections that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

Belize, Cambodia, Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Georgia, Haiti, Jordan, Kuwait, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Namibia, Philippines, Solomon Islands, Swaziland and Togo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as orally corrected, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Advancement of women [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.16/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The representative of Romania orally corrected the text and announced that Bhutan, Cambodia, Peru, Solomon Islands and Venezuela had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, the Congo, the Dominican Republic, Ghana, Haiti, Liberia, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Senegal, Spain, Swaziland and Togo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the revised draft resolution, as orally corrected, without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.19

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary read out the revisions which had been made to the text when it was introduced.

It was announced that Malawi, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay and Spain had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Belize, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Gambia, Ghana, Liberia, the Philippines, Sierra Leone, South Africa and Togo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

A statement was made by the representative of Antigua and Barbuda.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Right of peoples to self determination [115]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/54/L.25

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

It was announced that Mauritania had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Bangladesh and Lebanon joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, without a vote.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [112]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Viet Nam, Thailand, Ukraine, Algeria, Indonesia, Nepal, Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Romania, Kuwait, Morocco, Egypt, Slovenia, the Russian Federation, Fiji and Sri Lanka, as well as by the observer for Switzerland.

The representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees made a statement.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 18th meeting

United Nations common system [126]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission, Mr. Mohsen Bel Hadj Amor (Tunisia), introduced the report of the Commission (A/54/30).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta and Norway), Tunisia and Algeria.

The representative of Latvia aligned her country with the statement made by the representative of Finland, who spoke on behalf of the European Union.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 19th and 20th meetings

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-first session [155]

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria, France, Italy, the United States, Viet Nam, Guatemala, India, Australia and the United Republic of Tanzania.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

49th meeting

Note: The summary of the 49th meeting of the Economic and Social Council will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/209).

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Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Sixty-seventh session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 28 OCTOBER 1999

1799th and 1800th meetings

The Committee continued and concluded its consideration of the third periodic report on Cameroon (CCRP/C/102/Add.2).

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorized Duplication of their Phonograms. Geneva, 29 October 1971

Accession: Lithuania (27 October 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information fair

The annual Inter-Agency Information Fair, organized by the Department of Public Information, will be held in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building until *today*, 29 October 1999. The event brings together nearly 30 specialized agencies, programmes and departments of the United Nations system, each with representatives on hand to answer questions and distribute brochures, posters and other information materials.

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Special event

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) will make a presentation of the "Making Children Count" initiative, a new Web-based database on the measures taken around the world to implement the Convention on the Rights of the Child, on Monday, 1 November 1999, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 8. A CD Rom featuring an overview of the database will be made available on this occasion. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Exhibits

The photography exhibit entitled "Images of the Twentieth Century", from the Florentine photography archives and the Museum "Fratelli Alinari", organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, in cooperation with the Department of Public Information, will be on display until Friday, 5 November 1999, at the Visitors' Entrance of the Secretariat Building.

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An exhibit entitled "The Three-Cornered Island - Sicilian Cartography from the Sixteenth to Mid-nineteenth Century", organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, will be on display until Friday, 12 November 1999 in the first basement of the Secretariat Building (near the Viennese Café).

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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